

Hunter Mill Highlights

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Dear Hunter Mill Friends,

We began our meeting with some good news from the Fairfax County Economic Development Authority (FCEDA). Their 2010 Annual Report highlighted some key milestones of 2010 including 6,459 additional jobs in the county and an average unemployment rate of 4.7%, significantly lower than the national average. The features that make Fairfax a great place to live are also those that attract businesses and fuel our growth. The reports remind us of our strengths as a community while we face the challenges of the FY 2012 budget.

Our next Board of Supervisors meeting on March 29th begins the first of three public hearings on the proposed FY 2012 budget. If you wish to speak at the public hearings, you need to sign up with the Clerk to the Board, 703-324-3151, or on-line. Also, I will be holding two community meetings on the budget to hear from you. Details are listed below in the Announcements. Your input is invaluable to me as we get ready to make some hard decisions for the County.

I look forward to meeting with you at one of the upcoming community meetings.

Cathy Hudgins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hunter Mill Community Meetings on the FY 2012 Budget: 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 19 – Vienna Community Center Saturday, March 26 – Reston Community Center at Hunters Woods

I will be hosting two meetings in the Hunter Mill district to review the proposed FY 2012 budget. Joining me at both sessions will be County budget staff, Hunter Mill budget

committee members, and School Board representative Stu Gibson. Assistance with tax relief program for senior and disabled citizens will also be available.

Tysons Metrorail Station Access Management Study Public Meetings: 7- 9 p.m. Thursday, March 24 – Westbriar Elementary School

Your input is needed to help prioritize future transportation projects in the Tysons Corner area. This study will focus on transit, pedestrian and bicycle access solutions for the four Tysons Corner metrorail stations.

Metrorail Closure this Weekend: WMATA is shutting down rail service between East and West Falls Church this weekend (March 11-13), between of 10 p.m. Friday to midnight on Sunday, for track work. Buses service will run between the two stations.

3-8-2011 BOARD ACTION HIGHLIGHTS

Below are excerpts from the **March 8, 2011 Board of Supervisors** meeting that may be of interest to you as a Hunter Mill District constituent. For additional details, please go to the County's <u>Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule</u> section on the County's webpage. Some County links may not be active until later in the week.

PRESENTATIONS

The Economic Advisory Commission presented "Fairfax County: Preserving Our Quality of Life Requires Maintaining a Strong Economy."

The Economic Development Authority presented its 2010 <u>annual report</u>, "Fairfax County: Emerging from the Recession.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Admin 2: Authorized to advertise a public hearing on March 29, 4:00 p.m., on the acquisition of certain land rights necessary for the construction of Reston Avenue walkway improvements. This is to complete pedestrian improvements along the west side of Reston Avenue, from Southington Lane to Shaker Drive to tie into an existing trail.

Admin 6: Authorized to advertise a public hearing on March 29, 4:30 p.m., regarding the proposed Consolidated Plan One-Year Action Plan for FY 2012. The Proposed Consolidated Plan One-Year Action Plan for FY 2012 includes the second year of the two-year (FY 2011-2012) funding cycle for the Consolidated Community Funding Pool (CCFP). These programs include: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG), and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). Although the CCFP FY 2012 funding awards will be made by the Board in April 2011, the awards are

subject to annual appropriations, and approval of the annual Action Plan which is required by HUD.

Admin 7: Authorize the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services to apply for and accept grant funding to be used to implement nutrition education, physical activity and health and wellness activities in targeted communities, to improve healthy behaviors and prevent childhood obesity.

Admin 8: Authorized to advertise a public hearing on March 29, at 6:00 p.m., for 3rd quarter review of the FY 2011 Revised Budget plan. \$4.72 million is available for additional requirements in FY 2011 or to hold for FY 2012.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Info 2: Notification of public meeting dates and locations for the Tysons Metrorail Stations Access Management Study. Meetings with residents and FCDOT staff on pedestrian and bike access to the Tysons stations are planned for;

Tuesday, March 22, 7 p.m. at McLean High School Wednesday, March 23, 7 p.m., at George C. Marshall High School Thursday, March 24, 7 p.m. at Westbriar Elementary School.

Info 3: Services changes to FAIRFAX CONNECTOR routes to be implemented on April 3, 2011. Reston East Park and Ride will close on Sunday, April 3, necessitating changes to the following Hunter Mill routes:

- 1. Route 505: Add service to Sunset Hill Interim Park and Ride Lot, remove route from the Reston East Park-and-Ride Lot, adjust the schedule to provide ten minute service between Sunset Hills and West Falls Church.
- 2. Route 551: Modify schedule to add one additional morning trip at 9:10, and two evening trips at 8:40 and 9:40, shift 8:15 trip up to 8:10, remove route from Reston East.
- 3. Route 552: Modify the schedule to add one additional evening trip at 9:35, remove route from Reston East
- 4. Proposed New Route 555: Implement new bus route to provide 10 minute service in the AM and PM peak periods between the newly constructed Sunset Hills Interim Park and Ride Lot and West Falls Church.
- 5. Route 554 and 557: Modify the routes and schedules to remove service from Reston East.

Info 6: Contract Award – Tysons Corner Circulator Study. The Comprehensive Plan for Tysons Corner identified an internal circulator system as an important element of the future transportation system. The Board directed staff to issue a request for proposal (RFP) for a Circulatory Study, due by the end of 2011.

ADDITIONAL BOARD ACTION

Waste-to-Energy Facility: The Board directed the County Executive to present Covanta terms for a Service Agreement extension considered by the Board in closed session, which if not accepted by Covanta, could result in a decision by the Board on March 29 to purchase the facility.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

4:00 Board Decision on SE 2010-LE-017 – WMATA Garage on Cinder Bed Road in Lee District. The Board voted to approve the WMATA bus garage at the industrial area on Cinder Bed Road. The depot will house Metro and Fairfax Connector buses that serve the region.

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